



Holiday greetings from UCF Rosen College of Hospitality Management!

This is my first holiday message as Dean of the Rosen College of Hospitality Management and it has been an exciting four months since my appointment in August 2018. I would like to say thank you to all our partners in the industry, the faculty, staff and students at Rosen College, and my colleagues in academia, for helping to make my transition to dean an easy one. Your support and encouragement are truly appreciated.

When I began my tenure, the college had solidified its place as one of the top ranked schools in the world. We are also top ranked in the nation for our online Master's degree program, the nation's first Event Management B.S. degree program, and our Entertainment Management B.S. degree program, which is only two years old. Our students, 3,500 strong, are interning in the hospitality and tourism industry, alongside the leaders they hope to be in the future. And our alumni now number more than 10,000. To think that Rosen College was only established as a stand-alone college 15 years ago, it's amazing to see what has been accomplished in such a short time.

As we look forward to 2019, expect more great things from the Rosen College! We will be adding more programs to our already comprehensive curriculum, including a fully online Hospitality Management B.S. degree, and Senior Living Management B.S. degree to educate our students on working in a growing and important industry worldwide. And we will break ground on a new building expansion to house innovative new classrooms and labs, office space and event management space.

Thank you for your commitment to Rosen College!
We wish you a joyful holiday season!

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